## **Abstract**

AT<sub>4</sub> receptor agonists are potent activators of angiogenesis and can be used to treat diseases that are characterized by vascular insufficiency. AT<sub>4</sub> receptor antagonists, which are potent inhibitors of angiogenesis, and can be used as anti-angiogenic agents for the treatment of cancer, diabetic retinopathy, rheumatoid arthritis, psoriasis, atherosclerotic plaque formation, and any disease process that is characterized by excessive, undesired or inappropriate angiogenesis or proliferation of endothelial cells.